MISS. ELIZA COOPER.

s age of 87 years, 5 months, ays, Miss Eliza Cooper, the vivor but one of one of the oldlies in this community, passed os of earth at her home ownship, last Saturday even-

ather, Erasmus Cooper, was Ireland in 1770. Arriving at of manbood, he came to Amerd chose McConnellsburg as his About the beginning of the ontgomery, sister of old Jimntgomery, one of the early merof this place. Mr. Cooper ad it was then, after putting up now the log part of the house farm, that he and his bride resent stone part of the build-

and Mrs. Cooper were born, hildren: William, in 1803was married to John Logan, der any assistance. er of the late Thomas Logan

412, and with the exception of time called McConnellstown.) ars in Greencastle, spent her r Finwell Campbell was born,

the age of 36. ret, the only surviving mem-

to rest in the yard at the her father and mother and r brothers and sisters.

HOOL REPORTS.

raville-G. I. Covalt.

onth ending January 16th. er cent. of attendattending every day Akors, Essie Williams, Ada Juckson, John Ott, Lum o Duyall, Carl Akers, Be. Blaine Hixson, and Stanley

uax, Nancy Truax, Mary Mellott, Flora Ella Mellott, Jessie Wink, Nellie Morton, Joa anche Morton, Grace Cook, Cook, Web, Bard, os. Morton, George orton, Don. Morton, ok, Bland Deshong, Frank

ON allance L. L. Truax.

January 16. Entire their gray horses. th, 32; per cent. of ter, Della Hockenrose, Nora Ambrose, McClure, Mae Meman, Scott Bishop, ra Hockensmith, Edacd Gress, L. Mo-

ner Geo, E. Clouser, r school, Ayr townh month ending Janupils in attendance Houck, Wesley s Heinbaugh, Anyd McLucas, Russel Carbaugh, Conrad a Houck. Others, days are Savanna rbaugh, Jennie Pittns, Paul Houck, Tobias Carbaugh, in Reese. No. enattendance during during month, 92;

having sold his p, will sell at his that day. a half miles southurg, on Monday, all his stock and

A MEADOWGROUNDER.

VERY INTERESTING BITS OF LOCAL HISTORY.

He and Mike Cook and Bully Himes Ironed the Flag Pole

sed a tract of land near town, myself, I will, with your permission. may be interesting to some of your readers' and, perhaps, prompt some one else to give their mite. I realize passing away with the older folks, and you should have the co-operation 63; Mary, born in 1805, grew of every one in any way able to ren-

s. John M. Sloan. They re- of your fellow citizen, Elliott Ray, of were then building the Pennsylvania nany years ago to Michigan, Big Cove Tannery. I was born three now both dead. Jane, the miles above Fort Loudon, on the old as born in 1907, and married Ray farm, in January 1823; and, at an out, I enlisted in October of that year and Mrs. Alex Mayne, of this county. hay quickly became saturated Civil Government. He recomeaver at Fort Loudon. Mar- early age, moved with my father and in the 18th U. S., Infantry, Company born next in 1810, and lived the rest of the family to the Meadow- D, served three years and was honor- topher, of West Superior, Wisconsin. The fifth was Eliza, the sub- grounds, four miles west of McCon- ably discharged. his notice, who was born Aug- nellsburg. (Your place was at that

I stayed at home and worked on the town, near which place, I helped a farmer to gather his harvest.

I now decided to visit my home, and born in 1822, married Samu- boarded a train on the Cumberland miller, and is now living at Valley railroad for a ride to Greenerol, Illinois. The eleventh, eastle eleven miles. No there were who was born Aug. 30, 1824, made up of a string of fine coaches narried to Miss Sarah Jane and drawn along at the rate of forty or er, daughter of the late Will- fifty miles an hour by a great thunderthis town a half century ago. on that road. Our train consisted of looper died March 8, 1883. a single coach, if coach it might be s. Fore who was a Methodist one hitched in front of the other. The Stakemiller, who belongs to driver was engineer, brakeman, conductor and general manager. The

When I got to Greencastle I found a

About the first man I met there was Squire Myers of McConnellsburg, who wanted to know whether I was going back home. I told him I was on my way there. From Greencastle I went to Chambersburg, looked around awhile and then went on to McConblacksmith trade with Frank Rummell father of James and Elliott Rummell of your town.

Henry Clay and Theodore Frelinghuy- ing. sen, and the Liberty Party, James G. Birney and Thomas Morris. It was a three-cornered fight and a hot old of Percell, Bedford county. time, I assure you. The Democrats in their big political parades would take big smiles. It's a girl, the red juice of poke berries and paint their hats, faces, clothing, and even paint great red stripes and bars on bin Sunday. Their banners n, 41; average at- were painted with poke berry juice, month, 93. Honor utilized wherever they thought it posfavorite candidate.

Well, the biggest thing of the seaion was to be a mammoth political parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dencen, meeting and pole raising at McCon. last week. nellsburg. The pole itself was an iman C. Brant, Jackson Raker. mense affair, and consisted of a number of splices securely fastened togeth- Rebecca Peck, Mrs. Catharine Miller, lot of sawing done. er with strong iron bands which were placed on it by Mike Cook, Bully Himes and myself.

A man at Chambersburg was employed for twenty-five dollars to put township farmer was the guest of Dr. up the pole, and he came with strong ropes and other appliances. There was a tremendous crowd in town that beart trouble; if so, it is strange that day, and excitement was high. The pole was to be put on Water street physician, and especially one who has just opposite the old building that a daughter afflicted with the same or-John Sheets is tearing down.

When the pole was getting up pretty well, the ropes broke-there was a yell to look ont-and the pole came crashing to the ground. Jimmie Rankin of to most young people is very strong, the Cove was unable to get away in of exposing other people's weakness time and he was crushed to the ground

beneath its weight-dead. ended the political demonstration for

Many feet of the butt end, which was If you have wit, use it to please, not as thick as a flour barrel, was after- to wound. ward cut and split up into cord wood s. Sale begins at and the remainder of the pole raised and a flag floated

The upper tavern was then kept by MRS. FANNIE MCLAUGHLIN. Frank Rummel.

for three years.

Hare, Bill Murray, one John Rout, She was taken to her home and lin-Keltner and others whose names I do Mrs. McLaughlin was fifty-nine years which is a distillery, and on their C. Rotz, H. E. Gress and others.

place, we came back to Pittsburg. own, working for contractors who

railroad, and where I still live.

AMARANTH.

Miss Bertha Rhea, of Buck Vailey, spend last week with Mrs. Lizzie Mills. Walter Stein was at his home in Emmaville, last Saturday and Sunday. Dr. W. L. McKibbin is visiting

friends in Washington and Philadelphia this week. Fisher and wife were the guests of the family of Anthony Lynch last Sab-

bath. O. R. Corle, of New Paris, Pa., and Jacob Kerns, of Piney Plains, spent Saturday night with Robt. Carson. Miss Bertha Rhea was the guest of

Elias Mills and Miss Sarah Karns, of Pine Ridge, were visiting H. A. McRill on Saturday.

Mrs. Jessie McKee on Sabbath.

Levi Crawford and wife were callers at Irvin Boors, on Saturday last. James M. McKibbin, M. D., was in Hancock Monday.

John Crawford's family attended the funeral of Mrs. Crawford's father, Wm. Decker, last Tuesday. Union township's school directors

will have a meeting at Fairview, Sat-Peter Mellott accompanied by Jacob

Kerns, of Pine Grove, was in Snake Spring Valley part of last week visiting among the brethren.

John S. Crawford spent Sunday afternoon with Henry Ward of Robin-

Jacob Spade and brother Nathan spent part of last week in Brush Creek with near relatives.

J. C. Hixson and wife left Saturday for Philadelphia and other points in home of George Gress. Mrs. D. the eastern part of the state where nellsburg, and engaged to learn the they will spend some time visiting Mrs. Hixson's brothers.

Robert Beatty, one of our successful school teachers, who had a vacancy 1844, as you know, was the year that in his school caused by the burning of James K. Polk was elected president. | Center school house, visited the other The Democratic party were running schools in the township last week. He Polk for President and George M. Dal- will close his school term in the Grange las for Vice President; the Whigs had Hall. He commenced Monday morn-

with Banner Clingerman and family

Alfred Schetromph and wife wear

Harry Layton and sister, Jennie, of Mattie, were the guests of Dr. McKib-

Among the sick are Mrs. Elizabeth Schetromph, Mrs. Albert Schetromph, and the plant, berry and juice were Mrs. Martha Karns, Mrs. Maria Crawford, D. A. Mellott, Amber Fishsible to create enthusiasm for their er, Robert Carson, and Miss Pleasant May.

Miss Emma Fisher visited her grand

Among the guests of Steven Wagner and family, Sunday, were Mrs. Misses Mamie Hebner, Bertha Rhea

and Lydia Mills. We noticed in the Fulton Repub'ican last week that a prominent Ayr W. L. McKibbin's family recently, We presume Jimmy is suffering from he should come so far to consult a ganic disturbance.

"Never," says a celebrated moral county seat a visit on Tuesday. writer "yield to that temptation, which and infirmities, for the sake of diverting the company, or of showing That sudden and very sad accident your superiority. A good heart desires rather to conceal, than expose the weakness or misfortunes of others. this winter.

> Some people save money for a rainy guests of Nora Johnston last Satday and then pray for rain. .

McCONNELLSBURG, PA., JANUARY 25, 1900.

In the spring of '46, I went by stuge Mrs. Fannie McLaughlin died at the An Incident of Farmer Creasy's from McConnellsburg to Pittsburg, home of her daughter, Mrs. Etta Millwhere I worked for Ralph Jackson, a er. in Chambersburg last Saturday horse shoer. In the fall of that year night, shortly before midnight. The I returned and drove team over the cause of her death was paralysis. pike from Chambersburg to Pittsburg, Mrs. McLaughlin was stricken at the home of Samuel Rheinhardt, East The landlords that then kept tavern Market street, whither she had gone in were George Shaffer at the lower end the afternoon about religious affairs. of town where Aaron Clevenger now She had hardly been scated when she lives, | Mark Dickson at the Cross Keys | felt the fatal | illness coming over her [where Reisners' store now is]—Billy | She began to tell the friends about her Winnell then kept the stage office- that she believed she was going to die [the present Fulton House] and Frank and they consoled her after the mangether. The stricken woman express-The stage drivers on the road at ed her readiness to die and in a few Murray Walker, Jeff Mason, Dave gered until the hour stated above. of age and was a widow. She came In October '49 one Bill Teeter, Geo. here from McConnellsburg and was a Cunningham, and myself went out to consistent Christian woman. These ta Miller, Mrs. Alice Orr. Mrs. Jen-In February 1840, I came to Greens- nie McCurdy and Mattie, town; Mrs. shed, little thinking of what made a very live subject and puburg where I established a shop of my Eva Strock, Harry and Bessie of Sucbury.

Mrs. McLaughlin's maiden name was Hoover, and she is survived by In 1861, when the Civil War broke Andrew, John, Mrs. Albert Stoner, Samuel, of Mt. Carrol Ill., and Chris-Funeral Tuesday afternoon at 2 cemetery, Chambersburg.

Curious Orthography.

From "Atkinson's Casket Gems of Literature, Wit and Sentiment, published about seventy years ago, we get the following:

"A farmer made out a bill to a person who had employed him and whose Geo. Deneen and wife and Ludwig christian name was Jacob. It would have had such a demoralizing in follows:-1. Industry. 2. System. puzzle some people more learned than the farmer to put five letters together. none of which are in the word "Jacob," and make sound as well as "Gekup." which is the way the farmer spelt it." This is equal to spelling "coffee"

without any of the proper letters; viz. k-a-u-g-h-p-h-y.

BETHLEHEM.

The fog and rain of the past ten days have gone by and the sun has made its welcome appear-

James L. Cowan and little daughter of Bellwood, Blair county, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cowan.

Mrs. Kate Connelly and Nick Finiff and family spent one day last week at H. W. Ewing's.

Mrs. Henry Wolf and daughter our older citizens. Lucy spent Sunday afternoon at S. C. Layton, Wm. McKee, and er," by Ben. McLucas and Harry A. J. Sipes's. Mrs. Sipes is still N. W. Mellott are busy hauling on the sick list.

Nick Finiff and family spent Sunday very pleasantly at the Decker are busy sawing lath. G. Elvey and two children spent living with his father, Jacob Sunday afternoon at the same Plessinger, has moved to his farm place.

John Cowan's family spent Sunday with ther daughter Mrs. the Skogvist property from Mr. very poorly from a fall on the ice addition to Mr. Layton's farm.

Irwin Hixson spent last week with Bertha spent Sunday at James Maryland.

Truax's.

forenoon at John Shaffer's.

Sunday afternoon over to Thomas Johnston's.

Omert Peightel has been very still on the sick list. much interested in the revival services in town.

Rev. Roberts has begun revival services at Bethlehem.

BIG COVE.

More cases of measles.

Some of the farmers are busy furnishing their town friends with wood

spent a part of this week in the northern section of the county. Miss Barbara Martin made the

Miss Irene Trout of McConnellsburg enjoyed her visit with Miss Jessie Kendall, of Webster Mills, last week. The hay packer has been in

constant use throughout the Cove Misses Alice Dickson, Mary Grove and Scott Sloan were the

MULE WITH A JAG ON.

Big Meeting at the Court House Last Fall.

ord says that when John H. Fow well prepared program was earwas out stumping the State with ried out by the pupils of the was in town yesterday. Farmer Creasy be entered the school under the direction of the town of McConnellsburg, in Ful teacher, Miss Nannie Mellott. ton county, after a long drive over Litale Johnnie McLucas let us town yesterday. the mountains. He chanced to see just how well a small boy can stopped at Waidlich's Cave, dall, also, gave one very credit Tuesday, where he had found much spirit- ably. und comfort. Fired to emulation, How to Teach Civil Govern- in town yesterday afternoon. two of the young men of the town ment in Connection with Hisdrove over to Waidlich's place, tory," was ably discussed by C. return brought with them a jug Mr. Gress showed how the study of whisky wrapped in hay in the of the Constitution of the U.S., bottom of the wagon. At the ho- usually arather uninteresting toptel they tied their team in the ic in history classes, may be would follow. An inquisitive pils be led to ask questions and mule scented the hay, and in no-seek information for themselves. sing about upset the jug, and the Mr. Wible advised reading of ested visitor, in the mysteries of the corncob stopper came out. The good literature on the subject of add to the mule's enjoyment. He | Manual on the subject. o'clock. Interment in Ceder Grove ate his fill and immediately de- Dialogue-"The Art Critic"veloped a beautiful jag, during by Ruth Kendall and Mary Ott, last week. the course of which he kicked the was well rendered to an appreresentative George W. Skinner gave us the trials of housecleancommunicated these facts to Mr. ing. Fow the other day, and Mr. Fow "Elements of Success" was the day in town. wrote back: "I am sorry my ref- next topic taken up by Prof. erence to Waidlich's Cave should Gress. He gave an outline as Shippensburg Normal Tuesday. fluence upon the citizens of Ful- 3. Punctuality. 4. Energy. 5. ton county. I have read that the Determination. 6. Self-reliance. injection of the blood of a goat in- 7. Courage. 8. Economy. 9. to the human veins would make Will Power. 10. Independence one young again. But there is and a Noble Ambition. Mr. Rotz some very cold weather this winter. something more serious, and that urged the instilling of ideas and the citizens of Fulton county to sor added the element of Princi- visit among relatives. Waidlich's Cave. I would advise ple, to the list already given. that the blood of that mule be "A Little Boy's Troubles"the inhabitants of Fulton will be Teacher." come as well known as is the ab. How to teach physiology was ders."

WHIPS COVE.

"Gee Whiz! aren't we havin' an open winter," remarked one of

S. N. Garland and Wm. H.

Amos Plessinger who has been near Sideling Hill.

Aaron Layton has purchased James Truax, Mrs. Truax being Houck. This will be a valuable

D. A. Baker has returned to Mrs. Connelly and daughter his home in Frederick county,

Mrs. Jonathan Cope, of Ches-Mrs. D. G. Elvey spent Sunday ter county, has returned to her Sunday. home after a visit to her father, D. G. Elvey and two sons took Ephraim Hart, of the Cove. Epha little exercise on horse back raim has been in poor health for urday a week for the purpose of

quite a while. Mrs. Eliza Hoopengardner is

While Ex-Commissioner Albert Plessinger's team was standing in front of John Plessinger's Miles Mellott has moved his ened and started to run away, saw mill on to the lands of Sam. but were stopped by a wire fence uel Oyler, where there will be a before they had gone far. S. C. Layton, our mail carrier, also, had a runaway but no serious damage was done in either case, store room about ready to receive

ly hurt. It was kicked by anoth- gains! er horse which was hitched near

The house lately occupied by week. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Unger H. H. Plessinger was destroyed by fire on the evening of the 17th. When it was first discovered the fire had made such headway that it could not be checked. The cause of the fire is unknown.

The local institute at Emmaville was quite well attended and the discussion was very animated. G. I. Covalt and A. M. Hixson reinforced their argument with frequent quotations from the Scriptures.

than generous wine.

AT M'NAUGHTON'S.

A local teachers' institute was held at M'Naughton's school house last Friday evening. Jas. G. Readall was president and Saturday's Philadelphia Rec Mary Patterson, secretary. A

with the liquor, which seemed to mended the reading of Berkey's

used as an injection, and I have Willie Stoner—was well received. no doubt that the teetotalism of A dialogue—"Johnny and the

Gress and Miss Mellott. Address—"Be in Earnest, with decision and ves with cau-

Dialogue-"The Squire's Roost-

Ott, in regular darkey dialect. Exercises interspersed with good singing.

NEEDMORE

Jacob F. Farland is critically

quite a siege of measles.

Rev. Baugher will begin a protracted meeting at Pleasant Grove on Wednesday evening, 24th.

D. A. Garland visited friends near Rays Hill last Saturday and

The farmers of this community will meet at this place next Sat-

The Funk boys are busy sawing for Alex, Mellott,

Geo, D. Morgret has gone to who, it is reported, had his hand sawed off the other day.

Silas Holly and wife were visiting friends here over Sunday.

Ahimaaz Runyan has his new Calvin Mellott had a horse bad. new goods. Look out for bar-

John Hess, Sr., of Dickeys Mountain, was visiting here last

PLEASANT RIDGE.

John H. Deshong spent last Eagle school house next Sunday week with his sister Mrs. Har- 28th, at 10 o'clock, riet Kline. They were callers at Simon De hong's on Friday, and Needmore last week. Jacob Mellott was there on Saturday night.

daughter and two sons, and P. L. promoted to head inspector. She Deshong and Scott Mellott were is one of those who will get proat D. M. Kline's last Sunday.

Simon Deshong recently had ness, Winter's frown is better tonic the misfortune to fall, and, it is Silas E. Peck spent some time

PERSONAL.

Howard Skipper, of Harrisonville, made the NEWS office a brief call on Wednesday.

Dr. A. K. Davis, Hustontown, was in town on Tuesday.

Ex-Commissioner George Metzler William Kelso, of Knobsville, was

in to see us a few minutes while in

John W. Caldwell, of this place acmention that en route he had give a recitation, and Helen Ken- companied his sister to Harrisburg.

Levi Keefer, of Webster Mills was

A. U. Nace, who accompanied his son Horace to New York, last week, returned yesterday.

Mrs. H. M. Ash returned to her home in this place last Friday, after a visit of two or three weeks among friends up the State. Earnest Linn, of Altoona, is visit-

ing his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Linn, of this place, Mrs. Hattle Kendall was an inter-

"art preservative," at the News office Monday morning. Auctioneer W. M. Hann, of Licking Creek township, spent two or three

days visiting his daughter, Mrs. Frank Booher, at Three Springs, Ex-Treasurer John D. Smith, of wagon into kindling wood. Rep-ciative audience. Ella McLucas Emmaville, spent Sunday night with the family of Mrs. Harris, near Saluvia. Mr. Smith accompanied by

Auditor John S. Harris spent Mon-Miss Gertle Sipes returned from

Mr. and Mrs. T. Elliott Barber were in town, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Price, of French Landing, Michigan, who recently visited friends in this section, are home again. Mr. Price says they have had

Miss Lois A. Caldwell left on Tuesis the cure of the habit that drives habits of industry. W. C. Patter- day for Thusville, Pa., for a fewweeks'

> Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McEldowney were pleasand callers while in town. Tues-

D. D. Mellott and son L. B., were in town, Tuesday.

E. Mowry Gelvin took time to come in and chat awhile on Tuesday. sence of railroads within her ber- discussed by Mr. Wible, Mr. M. H. Shaffner is on a business trip to Frederick City, Md., this week.

David Martin, "Learn to say no do, is visiting his mother, Mrs. David Mathias, of Burnt Cabins, after an absence of twelve years. Mr. Mathias holds an important county

Hon, D. Hunter Patterson, Webster Mills' was at Burnt Cabins Tuesday. James Lamberson, of Hustontown, was a visitor to McConnellburg on

Tuespay. County Cnairman Alvin L. Sipes, John W. Evans, Elmer Evans, Max Sheets, George B. Daniels, Esq., and John P. Sipes, Esq., are in Harris burg to day attending the Bryan dem-

W. H. Lake's family are having Theophilus Sipes, of Harrisonville, spent several days last wesk in Ever-

ett visiting his sister, Mrs. E. N. Pal-Mr. A. C. Mathias was obliged to relinquish teaching and other pursuits for a livelihood, quit his residence at Burnt Cabins, and seek the far west for a change of altitude on account of his health, a few years ago. A mutual friend, who dropped into the News office a day or two ago, informs us that the change for the better making arrangements to start a has been marvelous that he is hale and hearty and able to work right along at the carpenter trade for which he gets \$3,50 a day. He has just purchased 15 acres of land adjoining the city of Mont Vista, Colorado, where Clearfield to see his brother he lives, for \$1500.00, and sold recentstore, the horses became fright. Hayes, formerly of this place, ly his property at the Cabins to E. M. Gelvin, so it looks as though he meant to make the West his permanent place of residence. Ab is a good fellow and we are pleased to learn of his prosperity.

THOMPSON.

Rev. Joseph Barney is critically ill at Mrs. Cattlett's. Dr. Swartzwelder is attending him. The protracted meeting closed Saturday night owing to the illness of Rev. Barney.

Elder Funk will preach at Bald John Hess visited relatives at

Miss Emma Pittman, who has been in Martinsburg, W. Va., Simon Deshong, wife and in a knitting factory has been

moted for fidelity and earnest-

supposed, broke two of his ribs. with relatives near here recently.

HIS RIDE ON THE C. V. R. R.

that Killed Jimmy Rankin.

Mr. B. W. Peck. Having been read-302, he was married to Miss ing a number of very interesting articles in your excellent paper, of the oldtime places and persons in your coun- Rummel, the upper tavern [the sight ner of those who had communed toty, and being an old Fulton county boy of the present Cooper House.] farm occupied by Mr. John contribute a few reminiscences that that time were John Bender, Jack minutes the power of speech left her, nousekeeping. In 1824, he ad- that much interesting local history is not now recall. and I think your effort to collect and preserve it is certainly commendable; Crestline, Ohio; but not liking the daughters and sons survive. Mrs. Et-

My name is James Ray, a brother

is place. Sarah was born in farm with my father until I was eightthe grew up and was married een years of age, when I started out el Fore. For many years they in the world for myself. My first ventand lived in the brick house on ure was to Cumberland, Md., where I ner of Second and Water secured employment with Cribbs and and were the parents of Miss Bedford, hauling lumber for the B.& Finwell Fore, of this place, O, railroad from the Big Savage. I . C. Trout in Todd remained there until 1842,I when jumpo. In 1815, Rebecca was born ed on a stage one day and rode down d to the age of 42, and in 1818 over the old National Pike to Hagers-

ander, a prominent cabinet- ing locomotive such as you now see ly were all Presbyteriaus ex- called, drawn by two bony horses-

neral of Miss Eliza took place road at that time was known as the afternoon, and her remains Cumberland Valley from Harrisburg to Chambersburg, and as the Franklin ian church in this place, railroad from Chambersburg to Hagerstown. big campmeeting in progress and went out to the ground to spend Sunday.

ton's Point-E. E. Kell. every day-Mabel

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